

## VOICE OF ST. JOHN CRYING.

Rants Over the Exposure of the Steam Company's Misdeemeanor.

Man Out of Hard Coal and Couldn't Get More, He Says.

Secretary St. John, of the New York Steam Company, which yesterday openly defied the law and, in violation of the order of the Board of Health, used soft coal in their plant at 173 Washington street, thereby blemishing the clear blue sky with dirty black smoke and soot, as told exclusively in "The Evening World," was in a very good humor when a reporter called at his office today.

Secretary St. John took no pains to hide the fact that he was not at all pleased by the exposure of the Steam Company's open violation of the law.

"Oh, you are here," said Mr. St. John, when told by the reporter that he was from "The Evening World."

"Well, you fellows who are doing so much writing about us can sell us hard coal, but you can't get it if you can't get it from us."

"You can go back and tell your editor that we will burn as much buckshot as hard coal as he will furnish us. Let's see if he can get it from us. Let's see if he can get it from us. Let's see if he can get it from us."

"I'll tell you what I think of the papers. I believe they will ruin the reputation of an innocent orphan girl if they could make a dollar out of it."

"That's what I think of the papers, and furthermore I believe that they are paid for by the hard coal companies. That's what I think."

Yesterday, because we could not get hard coal that we could use and were forced to use some soft coal, the smoke of which probably offended some of the people in one of the tall buildings, we have the reporters on us like a pack of wolves."

"What would you have us do? Shut down our big plant and inconvenience our large number of patrons?"

"After this verbal frothing at the mouth Secretary St. John fell off from his high horse and employed the reporter not to quote his remarks, but to use a statement to the effect that there are a certain number of hard coal dealers here who can get together and not only get absolutely the price of hard coal, but also the quality of it."

"Yesterday we couldn't get hard coal that we could use, so our supply of coal was cut off. We were forced to use some soft coal, the smoke of which probably offended some of the people in one of the tall buildings, we have the reporters on us like a pack of wolves."

Mr. St. John's last statement proved to be true. There was very much less to be said than what he had said. As soon as "The Evening World's" story of the violation of the law by the Steam Company came to the notice of the officials of the Board of Health to-day an inspector of the department went to the company's plant to investigate the matter.

**FINED ONE DOLLAR EACH.**

Drivers Johnson and Shelton Were Shouting at Sherry's.

There was so much hubbub again this morning after the last number of the "Tuesday Evening Mail and Early" at Sherry's, Fifth Avenue and Thirty-ninth street, in the case of the carriage of the subscribers, that Capt. Schmittberger's ward men, Detective McGovern and Keogh, arrested Frank H. Johnson and James P. Shelton for disturbing the peace.

The citizen complainant was Benjamin Wells, of Thirty-seventh street, near Third Avenue, who has exerted himself of late to abate what he and other residents deem an intolerable nuisance in the loud clatter of the "Early" and "Mail."

The noise this morning continued for an hour from 2.45 to 3.45 o'clock.

The prisoners made no excuse beyond saying that they were engaged by the best class of people to take charge of their carriage service, and it was necessary to shout out the carriage numbers.

Louis Sherry, who conducts the assembly room, says he has a big illuminated electric sign which can display, but the cables take no heed of it. Johnson and Shelton were fined \$1 apiece.

**CRUSHED IN A GRAVE.**

Alabama Man Loses His Life at a Burial.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 7.—During the burial service of Mrs. Amanda Harbison at Double Springs, and while the coffin containing the body was being lowered into the ground, one of the men who were helping to lower it, threw George Gillie into the coffin, breaking the head of the coffin and crushing the man's head. Gillie was killed instantly. The coffin was heavy, and before he could be extricated his head was crushed. Death was almost instantaneous. He will be buried to-day.

**Farmers' Institute in Session.**

RIVERHEAD, L. I., Jan. 7.—The Farmers' Institute of Suffolk County is in session here to-day. James A. Fowler, of New York City, is the guest speaker.

## CAR HORSES IN A MANHOLE.

Third Avenue Team Batted In by a Second Avenue Team.

Exciting Scenes in Chatham Square This Morning.

Two horses fell, one after the other, into a manhole vault, the Third Avenue car, on Chatham Square, near Worth street, at 8.25 o'clock this morning.

As a car reached Chatham Square on its way uptown it was stopped to enable a passenger to get off. In stopping the horses were brought directly alongside the large manhole which affords an entrance to the Chatham Square curve-vault.

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## MOORE FREED, THEN ARRESTED.

"Pony" Held in Conductor Cohen's Suit for \$10,000 Damages.

Mitchell's Father-in-Law Acquitted of the Charge of Assault.

The charge of assault brought against "Pony" Moore, by Conductor Jacob Cohen, of the Broadway cable car, was dismissed in the Court of Special Sessions this morning.

As soon as Moore put his head out of the court-room he was served with an order of arrest issued by Judge Creedon in the civil suit brought by Cohen for \$10,000 damages for the alleged assault. Lawyer Abe Hummel, who defended Moore, became his surety pro tem, and a non-arrest took his client to the Sheriff's office, where the necessary bonds were given.

Moore was promptly on time in court. He was accompanied by his son-in-law, Charles Mitchell, who was dressed in tweeds, "Pony" Moore, a host of greater or lesser lights in dramatic and sporting circles.

Cohen told how Moore entered his car on the evening of Feb. 1.

"At Houston street, going down," said he, "I grabbed a passenger and I seized him."

"Moore on leaving the car said, 'I'll smash you, you son of a bitch, and I'll stop to pick up a brake-horse. Moore struck me on the nose. Mitchell and others then pulled Moore away. I called for the police and had him arrested on Houston street. Moore came into a seat as to the number of witnesses he named. Cohen said there were twenty-four Cohen said saw the assault, was present in court. He denied using any abusive language to Moore."

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WRECK ON A FRENCH RAILWAY.

Three Reported Killed and Twenty Injured Near Compiegne.

Passenger Train from Paris to Brussels Derailed.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Feb. 7.—A serious railroad accident is reported from Compiegne, Department of Oise, about fifty miles from this city.

The train to which the accident has occurred was bound from this city to Brussels with a number of passengers yesterday evening, and was thrown off the rails not far from the town mentioned.

It is announced by the railroad officials that three people were killed and twenty injured by the disaster. It was decided that the accident was caused by the fact that the train for Brussels ran into a crate of glass, which had fallen upon the railroad track from a freight train which had gone ahead.

The engine of the Brussels train and one railroad carriage were thrown off the rails, and before the passengers could be rescued a second freight train dashed into the wreckage.

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Feb. 7.—The Associated Press learns from a leading National Liberal, who was present at Chancellor von Caprivi's recent address, that the Emperor's language in urging the necessity of the Russian treaty was too strong to be reproduced in the Berlin papers.

The Emperor is reported to have said that if the treaty was not adopted, Germany would have war with Russia before three months had passed. When the Emperor continued, was, upon the treaty, and the czar was identified with it.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 7.—At a meeting of industrial relations engaged in trade at Swansea a committee was formed to consider the advisability of forming a direct line of steamers to carry the trade between Swansea and America.

(By Associated Press.)

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 7.—Michael Dorgan, aged sixteen, John Corey, aged eighteen, and Peter Dorgan, were arrested here at the request of Kansas City authorities. Dorgan said \$500 from his mother, and Corey said \$100 from his father, were taken from them for the carnival at New Orleans, when arrested.

(By Associated Press.)